

MEMBERS' COMMENTS ON PREVIOUS ARTICLES

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DERRICK MUGGLETON has pointed out that the 159 numeral cancel was also used by Glasgow, but between straight lines rather than in an oval. He has a perfin Design 0020.01, on a 6d Plate 18 grey, SG 161, cancelled with a cds GLASGOW MY 25 82 which seemed to point to Bert Johnson's stamp being from Glasgow.

Bert has checked his Bell perfin again and agrees that the 159 on his Design 0010.01 perfin is indeed from Glasgow. However, the more interesting premise seems to be that this could link together Designs 0010.01 and 0020.01 as being from the same user.

JOHN MATHEWS, who has been researching 'The Bell Organ & Piano Co; says the Bell brothers who went to Guelph, Ontario, Canada and formed the Bell Organ & Piano Co. came from Scotland. The London and Sydney offices came later. John does not believe there was a Glasgow Office.

So he suggests the Glasgow postmark could be on a stamp either:-

- a) used by the family? (less probable) or
- b) b) used by a company salesman on his travels? (more probable)